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SUBJECT: US-ZAIRIAN RELATIONS

1. IT APPEARS TO ME TO BE OF INTEREST AT THIS TIME WHEN PRESIDENT MOBUTU IS WELL ALONG IN CHANGING HIS PUBLIC STANCE IN FOREIGN RELATIONS TO REPORT THAT DURING MY FINAL CALLS ON PRESIDENT MOBUTU, FOREIGN MINISTER UMBA DI LUTETE, DIRECTOR OF THE POLITICAL BUREAU NGUZA, STATE COMMISSIONER FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS AND POLITICAL COORDINATION (INTERIOR) ENGULU, PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL BO-BOLIKO, DIRECTOR OF THE PRESIDENCY BISENGIMANA, AND OTHERS, THAT ALL HAVE GONE OUT OF THEIR WAY VERY WARMLY TO UNDERLINE THEIR BELIEF THAT THE US CONTINUES TO BE THEIR CLOSEST FRIEND, A FACT WHICH THEY EACH WISHED IN THEIR OWN WAY TO STRESS.

2. THERE WERE MANY VERY PLEASANT REMARKS MADE ABOUT THE CONSISTENCY OF US POLICY SINCE THEIR INDEPENDENCE, ATTACHING IMPORTANCE TO GOOD RELATIONS WITH THIS COUNTRY BASED ON MUTUAL RECOGNITION OF SOVEREIGN EQUALITY. I AM HAPPY THEREFORE TO BE ABLE TO REPORT UPON LEAVING ZAIRE AFTER ALMOST FIVE YEARS THAT THE STATE OF US-ZAIRIAN RELATIONS CONTINUES TO BE AS
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